

## TWO HUSBANDS DIED SUDDENLY.

While the Widow Languishes in Prison, the Authorities Have Ordered Body of Last One Exhumed.

### FOUL PLAY IS SUSPECTED.

Hired Man Was Woman's Accomplice and Developments Promise to Parallel Notorious Jane Toppan Sensation.

WRENTHAM, Mass., Oct. 12.—The possibility that this town is involved in a murder sensation similar to the notorious one of which Jane Toppan, the nurse, was the central figure a few months ago, has startled the country hereabout. The majority of the residents knew nothing definite about the matter until to-day, when it was learned that suspicious that B. H. Guild, who died here last July, about a month after his marriage to Mrs. Jennie Wilbur, a nurse, was a victim of foul play, had prompted District-Attorney Asa P. French to order the body of Guild to be exhumed so that an autopsy might be held to determine, if possible, whether or not death was due to poisoning.

The action of the District-Attorney is said to be due to evidence that Mr. Guild, a few days previous to his death, was in normal health, and that his brief illness was marked by symptoms which would have been caused by poison. It is claimed also, that Martin Wilbur, of Windsor, Conn., the first husband of Mrs. Guild, died under similar circumstances.

The woman at present is serving a fifteen months' sentence at Sherburne Prison for forging Mr. Guild's name to a note for \$25. Sydney Withington, a farm hand employed by Mr. Guild, and to whom the note was made payable, is in the Reformatory as an accomplice of Mrs. Guild in the forgery. Guild was fifty-two years of age and Mrs. Guild is thirty.

**Widow Is Suspected.**  
This order brings to light a strange story which, if the dark suspicions which support it are substantiated, would afford a remarkable parallel to the case of Jane Toppan, the nurse who confessed to the poisoning of over thirty persons, and is now confined for life in a Massachusetts lunatic asylum.

As in the Toppan case, it is a woman who is the central figure. Again she is a nurse whose calling in life was the tender care of the sick and helpless. As in the Toppan case, at least two mysterious, sudden deaths are under investigation, and if a third is not proved, the strange disappearance of the man concerned makes a notable episode in the story.

The fact that Mrs. Guild's first husband died in 1885 very suddenly, manifesting symptoms very similar to those shown when Mr. Guild died, and the fact that another man, to whom she was supposed to be married in the interim between the two husbands, disappeared as mysteriously as if the earth had swallowed him up, are conspicuous elements in the situation.

Forty-four days after the wedding had been performed, the body of Mr. Guild was found in the water. There were with him when he died no one but his wife and the hired man, Withington.

**Guilt Pair Confess.**  
The same day Undertaker Farrington, of Franklin, was called, and the body was embalmed without delay. On Sunday the funeral was held. Mrs. Guild and Withington were the only mourners to follow the body to the grave. No sooner was the body of her dead husband in the grave than Mrs. Guild made application to the probate court for the estate. This was granted by Judge Lyman Hancock, of Plainville, a daughter of Mr. Guild by a former wife. Her opposition was so strenuous that Mrs. Guild surrendered and consented to the appointment of H. E. Ruggies, a lawyer.

Two days later a note for \$25, dated July 2, made payable to Sydney C. Withington and purporting to be signed by B. H. Guild, was presented to the administrator. The handwriting was cramped and illegible, and this, together with the unseemly haste with which it was forged, aroused Ruggies' suspicions that there was crooked work somewhere.

A little shrewd detective work convinced him that the note was a forgery. The lawyer called Withington to his office and questioned him so sharply that the young man (he is only twenty-five) broke down and confessed that he and Mrs. Guild had forged the note. He wrote the body of the note and Mrs. Guild the signature.

In the Norfolk County Criminal Court both pleaded guilty. They had retained counsel and prepared to fight, but at the last moment changed their minds. The judge, it is said, put an end to the rumors that were so persistently afloat with regard to the cause of Guild's death.

## MISS NICHOLS LEADS ORCHESTRA OF WOMEN.



CAROLIN B. NICHOLS.

No mother, sitting at table and looking down long lines of fair, mischievous daughters, ever rapped them to order with a mandatory fork more peremptorily than does Miss Caroline Nichols with the baton which beats time and commands for the twenty young ladies constituting the Faded Woman's Orchestra, of Boston, now playing an engagement at Keith's.

Miss Nichols teaches music some of the time and discipline all the time.

When she assumes her position as conductor she draws an invisible mark in front of her which her musicians know they must toe or else walk turkey. This fact, perhaps as much as Miss Nichols' ability as the leader of what she asserts to be the best woman's orchestra in existence, explains the excellence of the organization. It is recognized in the precision and unity of the playing and the quick response to every suggestion of the baton.

## WOMAN CALLED A BUSYBODY.

Strong Language Used by Lawyer in Answer Filed in Brooklyn Divorce Case.

"This woman is a busybody and trouble maker in families and it has been said of her that hatred would never have its own till it got her."

This is a literal quotation from a deposition filed in Justice Dickey's court in Brooklyn to-day in answer to the application of Attorney Baker, who is suing for an absolute divorce and for alimony for Mrs. H. Brown.

The Browns formerly lived in Carlton avenue, Brooklyn, but fell out and carried their woes into court.

Attorney Ringrose for Mr. Brown makes a number of serious charges against Mrs. Brown in his answer to the suit, all of which the other side denies.

## PORTE COMPLAINS ABOUT BULGARIA.

In Circular to Powers Declares Macedonian Bands Are Permitted to Recross the Border.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Oct. 12.—The Porte has sent a circular to the Powers complaining that Bulgaria is inadequately guarding her frontier, that she is permitting Macedonian bands to cross and that the remnants of these bands after being dispersed by Turkish troops, re-cross the frontier and find shelter in Bulgarian territory. The Turkish Government also complains that a revolutionary banner was recently consecrated in the Bulgarian monastery at Riljo, and that commands of revolutionary bands have been apporportioned to Bulgarian reserve officers.

Turkish reinforcements have been sent to Dimit-Hissar (Roumelia) to strengthen the frontier cordons.

**Denies Deal with Russia.**  
LONDON, Oct. 12.—The Porte, through the Russian Ambassador in London, denies the report, cabled from Paris, that private negotiations were proceeding between Russia and Turkey which, if successful, would result in an agreement to close the Dardanelles to all but Russian warships. The Government of Turkey declares that no negotiations are on foot with the object of opening the Dardanelles to Russian warships.

## SHE SOUGHT DEATH IN CELL.

Girl Arrested Tried to Kill Herself in Police Station.

## LE BARON JOHNSONS TO LIVE IN NEW YORK

Eloping Fire Chaplain and His Bride Return from Adirondacks to Make Home Here.

The Rev. James Le Baron Johnson, former assistant rector of Grace Church, and Mrs. Johnson, who have been spending a few days in the Adirondacks, have returned to this city, where they will take up their permanent home. Mr. Johnson married Miss Mary Hoffman, a Bellevue nurse, with whom he eloped eight months after his marriage to a daughter of Mrs. Alexander Van Rensselaer.

Johnson was formerly a chaplain in the Fire Department. Up to the time of his elopement his future appeared to be a brilliant one. The confidence of the church people was his, and it was believed that he would be the recipient of high ecclesiastical honors. Of his plans for the future nothing is known.

## BEAT HIS MOTHER, NOW IN A CELL.

Magistrate Shows No Mercy to a Cruel and Recrunt Son Who Abused His Parents.

"You say you were drunk and did not know what you were doing. That is no excuse. I will never have any mercy on a man who beats his mother. I will send you to the island for six months and I wish I could make it six years."

This is what Magistrate Zeller to-day re-crossed the frontier and find shelter in Bulgarian territory. The Turkish Government also complains that a revolutionary banner was recently consecrated in the Bulgarian monastery at Riljo, and that commands of revolutionary bands have been apporportioned to Bulgarian reserve officers.

When Mrs. Ward was asked to tell her story she glanced nervously at her son who stood at her.

"Don't you look at her," said the Magistrate to Ward, and then turning to the woman he told her to tell the whole story and not to be alarmed.

"My son," said the mother, "is seldom home. Up to last night he had been away a week, and when he came in the house I saw he had been drinking. I said nothing to him, but gave him his supper with us at the table. He objected to my cooking and I told him that he did not deserve anything. Then he struck me in the face and—"

## MISSION WORKER RAISES \$60,156.

Washerwoman's Enthusiasm Starts Rev. Simpson's Collection to Spread the Gospel.

Through the appeals of the Rev. Dr. A. B. Simpson, President of the Christian and Missionary Alliance, \$60,156 was pledged during two public meetings in the Gospel Tabernacle, Forty-fourth street and Eighth avenue.

"Twelve thousand churches," said Dr. Simpson, "of four denominations last year contributed not one single cent for missions."

"Four per cent. per annum of all the world's earnings is spent for liquor and tobacco. If the liquor glasses were placed one upon another they would reach from the earth to the moon, and the amount they would contain for just one year's consumption would be sufficient to make every man, woman and child on earth as drunk as a brute."

"One twelve-hundredth part of the amount spent yearly for the damning of men's souls is spent for Christian missions."

Suddenly a loud voice burst from the audience: "Start now! Get \$50,000! I've prayed for that amount! Start now! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!"

The speaker, a washerwoman, rushed down the aisle to the pulpit waving \$5 in bills.

"Sophie, you have sown the seed," said Dr. Simpson. Subscription blanks were distributed by the ushers and the Rev. Dr. E. D. Whiteside was asked to pray.

At the morning service \$53,476 was subscribed. Of this over \$2,000 was in cash collected in the baskets of the ushers. The remainder of the \$50,156 was raised at the afternoon meeting.

At previous meetings conducted by Dr. Simpson his audiences became so wrought up that women tore off their rings, earrings and watches and threw them on the platform. His greatest record for one meeting is \$78,000 raised at a service in Old Orchard, Me.

## FEAR APACHE UPRISING.

Farmers' Fears Not Allayed by Washington's Assurance.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Oct. 12.—Notwithstanding despatches from Washington, that the Indian Bureau has no fear of an Apache uprising at McDowell, thirty-five miles from here, the alarm of the settlers here, relative to the threat of the Indians and the threats they have made.

There are 300 of them and they are camped on lands that could not be farmed even if they had irrigation water, though they claim they are to become farmers. Their only resource is making baskets to sell.

When refused loans of money or food, which the settlers cannot afford to furnish, they make threats of violence.

**MANY DIVES CLOSED.**  
The Nutley (N. J.) Civic Association is planning an active Fall campaign. Among the objects of the association is to decrease the number of drinking places in Nutley. Many dives have been closed, but the association declares the work is only half done.

## GIRL AUTHOR TO WED PLAYWRIGHT.

Alice Caldwell Hegan, Whose Book Made a Hit, Will Be the Bride of Cale Young Rice.



ALICE CALDWELL HEGAN.

Mrs. Samuel Hegan, of Louisville, has just announced the engagement of her daughter, Alice Caldwell Hegan, who gained fame by her book, "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," to Cale Young Rice, the author, poet, playwright and lecturer. The date for the wedding has not been announced, but it will be some time during the winter.

Mr. Rice was at one time the head of the department of English language at Cumberland University in Tennessee. His writings are well known, and he is at present at work on a play to be called "David" for E. H. Sothern. His bride-to-be had gained considerable success in short story writing, but her book, which made her really known to the literary world was just published.

**ROSE'S PLEA LATER.**  
Case of the Man Accused of Wife Murder Postponed.

Upon the application of Joseph Moss, of Howe & Hummel's office, the pleading of Harry Rose, indicted for the murder of his wife, Isabelle, was adjourned until Wednesday morning.

Rose was to have pleaded before Judge Cowing in General Sessions.

## Handkerchief Department.

Sale of 5,000 Dozens Ladies' Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, Plain and Initialed.

1,500 Dozens (style No. 60), Plain Sheer Clear Linen Lawn Handkerchiefs, 1/8, 1/4 and 1/2-inch hems, 12 1/2c. each.

1,000 Dozens (style No. 100), Plain Clear Sheer Linen Lawn Handkerchiefs, hemstitched by hand, in 1/8, 1/4 and 1/2-inch hems, 25c. each, \$2.75 dozen.

1,000 Dozens (style No. 2,000), Plain Semi-Sheer Linen Cambric Handkerchiefs, 1/8, 1/4 and 1/2-inch hems, 25c. each, \$2.75 dozen.

1,500 Dozens Ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs, formerly selling at 35c., and considered excellent value, for this sale reduced to 25c. each.

**Lord & Taylor,**  
Broadway & 20th St.

THE BIG STORE A CITY IN ITSELF  
**SIEGEL COOPER & CO.**  
SIXTH AVE. MEET ME AT THE MOUNTAIN 13th STS.

## Great Crowds Daily Throng The Big Store.

THE Fall rush is at its height. There's the spirit of exhilarating activity and newness at the Siegel Cooper Store. The best stocks are here in abundance. Expensive as well as inexpensive grades are represented in fullest variety.

Among the many important special sales now engaging great attention are these:

Dress Goods. Nottingham Lace Curtains. Millinery. Colored Petticoats. Shoes. Infants' Wear. Blankets.

And then, of course, there are the very latest and most modish styles for Women. Homefurnishing, also, naturally brings crowds here daily in great numbers. It's a mighty satisfactory Store to pin your faith to; it serves you most faithfully.

## Nottingham Lace Curtains.

The Lace Curtain Store on the Third Floor is doing the best business in its history to-day. 4,300 Pairs of Nottingham Lace Curtains at Less Than Actual Cost to Make.

An irresistible attraction. Priced under cost of manufacturing because the makers decided to discontinue the patterns shown. As fresh, stylish and beautiful as the very newest patterns.

THESE PRICES: 75, 98, 1.25, 1.50, 1.95, 2.25, 2.75, 2.95.

(Third Floor, Front.)

## Season's Dress Goods Event.

A Marvellous Showing of Newer Fair's. A sale of such importance cannot be ignored with impunity. Coming now, at the very height of the dressmaking season, it possesses an element of distinctive attractiveness. The woman who wants high-priced materials, as well as the woman with whom economy is the first consideration, may share with equal satisfaction in this sale.

A few leaders are:

54-inch \$1.00 KNICKER-BOCKER SUITINGS, per yd., 49  
50-inch \$1.00 BLACK & NAVY CANVAS, per yd., 49  
52-inch \$2.50 VENETIAN BROADCLOTHS, per yd., 1.25  
52-inch \$1.25 COVERT CLOTHS, per yd., 69  
50c. WAISTINGS, per yd., 29  
56-inch \$1.25 BLACK CHEVIOT, per yd., 59

40-inch \$1.25 CREPE DE PARIS, per yd., 75  
50-inch \$1.00 BLACK & NAVY CANVAS, per yd., 49  
59c. ZIBELINE PLAIDS, per yd., 39  
42-inch \$1.25 FRENCH PRUNELLA, per yd., 85  
J. CASHMERE, all-wool, per yd., 29  
GRANITE CLOTH, per yd., 25

(Main Floor, Front.)

## Shoes

for Men and Women  
At 1/2 Price.  
Also an Interesting Item Specially for Women.  
First Quality WOMEN'S RUBBERS, regularly 50c., to-morrow, 19

WOMEN'S \$1.50 AND \$2.00 SHOES, Kid, with patent leather or kid tips, button and lace; all sizes, 98c.

WOMEN'S \$3.50 SHOES AT 1.95  
Duplicates of all the new \$3.50 shoes now shown at most stores. Kid, calf, patent leather and patent Ideal Kid, in button and lace. All sizes and widths.

Other Women's Shoes at \$1.45 and \$2.35; all regularly 1/4 to 1/2 more.

MEN'S \$3.50 SHOES AT 1.95  
Patent leather, button and lace. Calfskin, lace and Blucher. Vici kid, single and double sole, lace. Box calf Blucher, with double sole. All sizes in all styles.

Other Men's \$2.50 and \$5.00 Shoes at \$1.50 and \$2.05.  
(Men's Dept., Main Floor, East, 19th St.) (Women's Dept., Second Floor, Centre, Table Escalator.)

## Women's Pajamas.

Made for Pretty Effect and Comfort  
All flannelette; pink and blue stripe; cut full; perfect fitting; special, 1.50  
Jaunty and piquant; new effects in color and style; finest material; superior in fit and workmanship; jacket trimmed with frogs and pearl buttons, 1.95

(Second Floor, Centre.)

## Kimonos.

All the Daintiest New Effects.  
KIMONO SACQUES, fine flannelette, dainty pink, and blue stripe effects, cut very full, border trimming, special, 49  
KIMONO GOWNS, good quality flannelette, pink and blue stripes, cut very full and long, border trimming of daisy cloth, special, 98

(Second Floor, Centre.)

## Wines and Liquors.

Pure, Old and Medicinal.  
HOLLAND GIN, imported; fine medicinal quality; per gallon, \$3.25; per bottle, 70  
CABINET RYE, pure and old; per gallon, \$2.85; per bottle, 78  
SAINT JULIEN CLARET, OR, FRIAR'S RIESLING; per gallon, 75  
OLD FRIAR'S PORT OR SHERRY; per gallon, 1.05

(Fourth Floor.)

STORES  
EVERYWHERE.  
107  
RETAIL  
BRANCHES

## FIGURE UP THE SAVING

on one week's purchases of your table supplies from a Butler Store, taking the few prices we quote to-day as a basis. Multiply this by fifty-two and see what a tidy little sum you'll have at the end of a year for pleasures and luxuries, or, better still, for the savings bank. Finer groceries, too, on your table meanwhile.

For our Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday sale,  
**BEST MOCHA AND JAVA COFFEE, Per Pound, 21c**  
and remember that for purity, flavor and uniformity our Coffees cannot be matched elsewhere.

## Zu-Zu Ginger Snaps—Sugar.

A Package Zu-Zu Ginger Snaps, 3 1/2 Pounds Standard Granulated Sugar, } Both for - 18c

Curried Jams, all varieties, 15c	3 Cakes Coney Island Soap, 1/4-Pound Box Azure Blue, A Package Babbitt's "1776," 1 Pound Best Starch, 25c	Queen Olives, large 18-ounce bottle, 23c
Blue Ribbon Breakfast Food, per package, 10c	ALL FOR 15 CENTS.	Anderson Soups, concentrated, a can 7c, or 3 for 20c
Triumph Baked Beans, plain or sauce, our best, per 3-lb. can, 12c		Butler's Square Blue, 3 10c
Famous Scouring Soap, Butler's best, per cake, 4c		Prepared Horseradish, Butler's, per 2-lb. package, 10c
New Peas, Hillside Brand, fancy sifted, a can 12c, or 2 cans for 25c		Molasses, Quart Bottle, 10c
Patapoco Peaches, Maryland pack, per 3-lb. can, 9c		White Pepper, 1/2-lb. can, 10c
Tomatoes, choice quality, large can, per can, 9c		English Mustard, 1/2-lb. can, 10c
Parlor Matches, Triumph Brand, box of 500, 3c		Violet Ammonia, best quality, large bottle, 10c
Mustard Sardines, best quality, Gold Label Brand, per can, 12c		Popular Baking Powder, 1/2-lb. can, 5c
Washing Powder, Clenwell Brand, 1-lb. package, 4c		Worcestershire Sauce, Peerless Brand, pint bottle, 13c

## SOAP SPECIAL.

7 Cakes Babbitt's Best Soap, 25c  
7 Cakes Butler's Borax Soap, 25c  
7 Cakes Kirkman's Borax Soap, 25c

Your Choice, Any or All Brands, 25c

TEA,  
Very Best No. 1, All Kinds, A POUND, 35c.  
GOLDEN TIPS  
CEYLON TEA,  
A POUND, 50c.

**6,750 TONS SHIPPED.**  
READING, Pa., Oct. 12.—Four trains of washery and mined coal, consisting of 232 cars, equal to 6,750 tons, passed down the Reading road during last night. The fuel is intended for sale to the companies' employees and for use in the locomotives. This was the heaviest shipment since last May.